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REQUEST FOR OFFICE ACTION

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The above-identified application was filed on December 21, 2001.

A Notice to File Missing Parts was issued on January 28, 2002. A Response to Notice to File Missing Parts was filed on February 27, 2002.

From the PAIR system it appears that a Non Final Office Action was mailed on April 30, 2003. However, the Office Action was not received by the undersigned attorney.

Submitted herewith are copies of the logbook of incoming mail from the USPTO from April 30, 2003 to May 30, 2003 which shows that no Office Action was received in this application.

The undersigned further states that a search of the file jacket of the application has been performed, but did not produce the Office Action.

A Notice of Abandonment was also not received.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that a copy of the Office Action be forwarded to the undersigned attorney and that the period for responding to the Office Action be restarted as of the mailing date of the substitute Office Action.

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